GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1075
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MERGER OF BANK BRANCHES
ARUN KUMAR;DILIP KUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several banches of Nationalised Banks have been merged as per recommendations of the Narasimhan Committee;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of branches of public sector banks merged/closed during the last three years, bank-wise;

(c) whether Mungi Branch of UCO Bank in Ahmed Nagar in Maharashtra has also been merged;

(d) if so, the present position after merger and whether people of the areas have made any proposal to make the said Branch of the Bank operational; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL):

(a) and (b) Yes Sir, 249 branches of nationalised banks have been merged during last three years i.e. 1998-1999 to 2000-2001. The bank-wise details of branches merged are given below:

Bank Name	No. of Branches
Allahabad Bank	1
Andhra Bank	1
Bank of Baroda	1
Bank of India	3
Bank of Maharashtra	1
Canara Bank	4
Dena Bank	12
Indian Bank	67
IOB	4
Punjab & Sind Bank	1
Punjab National Bank	20
SBBJ	2
State Bank of India	14
Syndicate Bank	3
UCO Bank	44
Union Bank of India	45
United Bank of India	20
Vijaya Bank	6

(c) to (e) Yes, Sir. The Mungi Paithan branch of UCO Bank has been merged with Ahmednagarbranch. The five villages in the service area of Mungi Paithan branch were re-allotted to branches of other commercial banks in that area. There has been a representation against the merger of Mungi Paithan branch but the need of banking service of the area are beingtaken care of by other bank branches located in the area.